Senate No. SB1319 By Cohen

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 34 and Title 11, Chapter 6 and other applicable sections relative to Native Americans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-102(3), is amended by deleting the language "demonstratively buried" and by substituting instead the language "intentionally placed".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-102(3), is further amended by adding the following, at the end of the following subdivision:

at the time of burial or interment or at some subsequent time.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-112, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

- (d)(1) A person commits an offense who buys, sells, or barters human remains or associated burial objects previously buried within this state.
 - (2) A person's first violation of this subsection is a Class A misdemeanor.
- (3) A person's second or subsequent violation of this subsection is a Class E felony.

- (4) The provisions of this subdivision do not apply to a not-for-profit museum exempted from the payment of federal income taxes by 26 United States Code 501(c)(3).
- SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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